

Form PTO-1449 U.S. Department of Commerce  
(REV. 2-82) Patent and Trademark OfficeAtty. Docket No.  
AP14977-072944.0150Serial No. 10/660,221  
Not Assigned YetINFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
BY APPLICANT  
(Use several sheets if necessary)Applicants  
Place et al.Filing Date  
Herewith 09/11/2003Group Art Unit  
Not Assigned Yet 1724

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

| *Exam. Init. | Document No. |   |   |   |   |   |   | Date     | Name               | Class | Subclass | Filing Date if Appropriate |
|--------------|--------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----------|--------------------|-------|----------|----------------------------|
| PtS          | 5            | 9 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 06/22/99 | Park et al.        | —     | —        |                            |
| PtS          | 5            | 8 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 05/12/98 | Wilson et al.      | —     | —        |                            |
| PtS          | 5            | 7 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 05/12/98 | Gadkar et al.      | —     | —        |                            |
| PtS          | 5            | 3 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 02/14/95 | Bookbinder et al.  | —     | —        |                            |
| PtS          | 5            | 3 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 05/03/94 | Dalla Betta et al. | —     | —        |                            |
| PtS          | 4            | 6 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 6 | 06/30/87 | McCue et al.       | —     | —        |                            |

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT

|     | Document No. |   |   |   |   |   |   | Date     | Country | Class | SubClass | Translator<br>Yes No |  |
|-----|--------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----------|---------|-------|----------|----------------------|--|
| PtS | 0            | 7 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 06/25/97 | EP      | —     | —        |                      |  |
| PtS | 0            | 6 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 11/29/95 | EP      | —     | —        |                      |  |
| PtS | 0            | 2 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 01/27/88 | EP      | —     | —        |                      |  |
| PtS | 4            | 1 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 08/29/91 | DE      | —     | —        |                      |  |
| PtS | 9            | 6 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 10/10/96 | DE      | —     | —        |                      |  |
| PtS | 2            | 7 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 03/10/95 | FR      | —     | —        |                      |  |

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

International Search Report for PCT/GB02/01142, dated July 4, 2002.

Examiner

Robert H. Spitzer

Date Considered

February 10, 2004

\* Examiner: Initial citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.  
 NY02:456895.1

